

Indiana Issues

Issue: U.S. Steel – Gary Works: Air Violations - Gary

Background/Status: EPA notified U.S. Steel – Gary Works (USS) in June of alleged violations of multiple Clean Air Act requirements at the company's Gary mill. EPA alleges that USS operated in violation of opacity limits at the slag pits, railcars, Basic Oxygen Process shops, blast furnace enclosures, roof monitors and coke ovens. USS also allegedly exceeded HCl pickling line concentration limits. EPA additionally alleges that USS failed to identify as an emission source and secure a permit for the blast furnace relief valves and failed to apply for a PSD permit when it modified its No. 4 Blast Furnace to increase production and emissions. USS also failed to perform a timely first attempt at repair at applicable equipment. EPA met with USS in August to begin to resolve the alleged violations. Also, a referral package for civil litigation was sent to the Department of Justice in September.

Message:

- EPA will continue to seek resolution of all Clean Air Act violations at USS and will take action as appropriate.

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